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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

President Cleveland keeps on vetoing private pension bills, but to keep things even so that he will not lose a vote by his action, he offsets it by pardoning some one from the penitentiary.

Cleveland's latest pardon is that of John J. McMahon, who stole \$20,000 from a New York bank in 1884. The President's roll of pardoned criminals is much larger than the roll of Union veterans whose pension bills he has signed. —Blade.

The British manufacturers are in high glee. They have jubilated the idea that the Mills bill is slowly going to pass and on the strength of the belief are laying plans to swamp their American rivals. It isn't the first time they have been deceived. Their American rivals are not yet without protection. —Detroit Tribune.

The moral of the exposure of Voorhees's copperhead record during the war is that the man who opposes a justifiable war, and bends his energies to embarrassing the nation in carrying it on, is never forgiven. An open, honest enemy may be a coward who plots treason at home, never. —Blade.

The democratic war-cries of four years ago—"Open the books!" and "Turn the rascals out!" are no longer heard. The books were opened, and lo! the republican party was proven honest by its uttermost enemies from its records, while the "rascals" are in office, and don't want to be turned out. —Blade.

President Cleveland wouldn't for the world "revive the passions of the war." So he carefully bestows the great offices upon Rebels and Copperheads. This may not revive the passion of the men who fought and talked against the Union. But how about the passions of the men who fought for it? —New York Tribune.

It is frankly admitted by the Madison Times, one of the leading democratic papers of Louisiana, that "the democratic minority in the state is unnecessary and exaggerated. This is refreshing in contrast with the attempt of the northern democratic press to make it appear that the fraudulent democratic returns are evidence that the negroes are voting the democratic ticket." —Bay City Tribune.

Speaking of the recent election in that state the Manchester (Louisiana) Times says: "By intimidation, money, and unfair count, the negroes are intimidated in every hamlet, town and parish of this state and where the intimidation effects are unsuccessful, bribery is generally successful, and in any event the count, which is in the hands of the democrats, is always successful, as the last resort."

The national government in the French republic costs about \$10 for each person in the country; in the United States, less than \$3 per head. No one would think so from the groanings and complaints of democratic free traders and their organs. Taxation is less, and our public debt is less than that of any other country, and what we do owe was saddled on the government by those who are kicking against providing for its payment.

In his efforts to clear himself of the charges that Senator Ingalls preferred concerning his Southern sympathies, Voorhees has jumped from the frying pan into the fire. The Southern papers say he was in league with them and that his letters and speeches prove it and denounce him for being a coward and a liar. All in all the tall sycamore of the Wabash appears to be having a very unpleasant time. —Cleveland Leader.

Somebody has been looking into the record of the recently appointed Chief Justice Fuller, and claim he was a copperhead during the war. If this is so, it would be reconstructing the supreme court rather too fast on the southern's simply plan, taking into consideration the recent appointment of Chief Justice Taney, to that tribunal. Of course, we know the confederacy is in the saddle, but we hate to be rode over so ruthlessly, after all. —Day City Tribune.

The Bay City Tribune says that the republicans of Kansas have a foreboding way of expressing their sentiments. One clause of the republican platform of that state is as clear cut as a ey clone. It acknowledges with profound gratitude its obligation to Senator J. A. Ingalls "for the able and masterly manner in which he everlastingly mopped the earth with those representative of murderers and assassins of An derdonville and Knights of the Golden Circle of Indiana—Voorhees, Vest and Blackburn, and hereby endorses every word he said in reply to those cowardly traitors."

Alden's Library Magazine.

Among the notable articles in this LIBRARY MAGAZINE for May, are the following: The Negro Question in the United States, by George W. Cable; the concluding paper on the Constitution of the United States, by Hon. E. J. Phelps, U. S. Minister to Great Britain; the fourth of a series of scholarly articles on Post-Talmudic Hebrew Literature, by Dr. Bernhard Pick; the article on Hans Sachs, the cobler poet of Nuremberg, from the Westminster Review, is very curious; Snowed-up in Aready, by Rev. Dr. Jessop, is one of the most enjoyable papers found in last month's English magazines; Cardinal Manning's Plea for the Worthless, is very timely, and worth universal reading; the critique upon Mr. Froide's West Indies is sound and appreciative; the Earl of Meath gives a genial account of "A Model Factory" in England; Miss Frances Power Cobbe discusses the "Education of the Emotions," and opens up a suggestive train of thought, as also does the paper on "Domestic Service and Democracy." The editorial miscellany, entitled, "Current Thought," is unusually full and interesting. The issue contains 198 pages in large type, an extraordinary amount of high-class literature for the price of \$1.00 a year, or 10 cents a copy. John B. Alden, Publisher, 393 Pearl Street, New York, 218 Clark Street, Chicago.

The Home Club of Boston, invited General R. A. Alger, of Michigan, to deliver an address upon the tariff in Boston; and, in his reply, dwelling on the invitation, he thus sets forth his views on the tariff: "There is no doubt in my mind that the present tariff laws should be thoroughly overhauled, from the first item on the list to the last. I believe the policy should be to abolish all duties on productions that do not conflict with our home products and industries. While I would make these reductions as far as practicable, I would not disturb the duty on the articles produced in this country that would open our markets to foreign competition so as to reduce in any measure the present rates of labor. Still further, if it is necessary to thoroughly protect home industries upon any article or articles, I would increase the duty to a point that would absolutely protect them against such a reduction of wages."

Tariff Prospects.
The tariff bill of the majority of the ways and means committee is to be reported this week. It will pass the house only by some miracle. One hundred members have put themselves down for speeches. The majority of these will get "leave to print" and fool some of their granger constituents into believing that the speeches were actually delivered before the House. But even with these counted out, there will still be enough bona fide speakers to fill up the rest of the session. Besides, there are all the appropriation bills and important legislation on coast defenses and other subjects. So that every minute of the session from now on is spoken for by the ordinary business of the house. Very little of it will be accomplished, and the house will probably go into history as one of the most inefficient that has ever met at Washington. Moreover the majority of the committee has refused the minority all voice or consideration in the tariff revision. Petitions and documents have been thrown into the waste basket without a glance. Even if the bill were the acme of wisdom, it would and should stand no chance of enactment when bulldozed through as this has been. —Detroit Journal.

How to Grow Tomatoes in Perfection.

Because the generous nature of the tomato yields bountifully with seemingly little care and attention, the general impression prevails that the plant requires but little attention. This is a sad mistake, for there is not a vegetable in the garden that is so gross a feeder, nor one that so readily pays for all the food and care given as the tomato. To grow it to the greatest perfection, the hills should be dug out to the depth of two and a half feet; at the bottom there should be a half bushel of well-rotted manure; above this let the soil be an equal mixture of loam and manure thoroughly mixed. The hills should be at least six feet apart. Let the situation be open, warm, airy. When the fruit begins to set mulch with clean straw or very small brush. Under these conditions six plants will furnish sufficient tomatoes for a family of twelve persons. Whatever variety may be planted in this manner, the result will show specimens for size, smoothness, and excellent properties, unknown to the variety when grown in the ordinary manner. —C. L. ALLEN, in American Agriculturist for May.

An Explanation.

What is this "nervous trouble" with which so many seem now to be afflicted? If you will remember a few years ago the word Malaria was comparatively unknown,—to-day it is as common as any word in the English language, yet this word covers only the meaning of another word used by our forefathers in times past. So it is with nervous diseases as they and Malaria are intended to cover what our grandfathers called Biliousness, and it are caused by troubles that arise from a diseased condition of the liver, which in performing its functions finding it cannot dispose of the bile through the ordinary channels is compelled to pass off through the system, causing nervous troubles, Malaria, Bilious Fever, etc. You who are suffering from an "nervous trouble" will appreciate a cure. We recommend Green's August Flower. Its cures are marvelous.

Were are the Grayling Gone?

W. D. Toulun, a writer in the American Field, asserts that Grayling are dying out; soon we, who in the strength of vigorous manhood have fought "skeeters and punkies," and bade them defiance when wading the smaller feeders of these Michigan rivers, will have to search in vain for the Michigan grayling. Fish enthusiasts tell us in plain terms that it is very difficult to get the spawn of grayling to hatch by artificial means.

It has been proven that grayling will take flies, and that two of them will rise and can be hooked at a cast, and that in two or three days hundreds of pounds can be caught; under these circumstances there can be no excuse for using that most killing of all baits, the "trout's ventral fin," especially when used with a swivel on a line or leader. This bait is a megalithic invention, concocted in the minds of fish dogs, and unworthy to be found in the possession of anyone calling himself an angler. The coming generation of anglers are turning their eyes to streams known as grayling streams, and hope to be able to indulge in this delightful pastime; but what chance will there be for them if our old fellows gobble up all the fish by using spoons or their equivalents? So prominent is this fish becoming as it grows scarcer that a large publishing house is arranged to publish a book for amateurs on fishing, and the grayling is to form a prominent feature in the book.

The Swamp Land Case.

Attorney Harry Russell, of the Michigan Central, has brought a lot of copies of swamp land papers from the Ingham county Circuit Court and has dumped them at Judge Brown's feet, asking him to stretch the wings of the American eagle over the railroad properties, which the State of Michigan claims by virtue of the act of 1850. The reason that the railroads seek the change is said to be that the case will have to go to the Federal Supreme Court, and the path via Judge Brown's court is quicker than that by way of the Michigan Supreme Court. There are some who say, however, that while the railroads may be looking after an air line they propose to put on an accommodation train and run their cars through the coming pass-covered Legislature.

Congress in 1850 gave all swamp lands to the State. The Secretary of the Interior gave Michigan the choice. (1) either to survey the lands and take what swamp lands it could find; or (2) to accept the Government field notes and, plat as the basis of the State's claim. The State chose the latter alternative.

The United States Land Office has refused to patent to the State certain lands marked as swamp on its field notes, claiming that there was fraud in the first surveys.

The United States has given some of these swamp lands to railroads. The lands still belong to the State of Michigan.

The railroads on the contrary, hold that Congress granted only lands that were actually swamps; that the Secretary of the Interior had no right to enlarge the grant by giving the State the right to accept surveys which showed swamps where there were no swamps; that the lands held by the railroads are not swamp lands, though marked as such; that Congress granted the railroad lands to the State and the State gave them to the railroads; and, therefore, the State has no claim to the lands; that for nearly 30 years the State has acquiesced to the rights of the railroads to these lands, and has fixed them as fast as they became taxable under the law.

Thus is the issue joined. The fight is on. If the lands belong to the railroads, there is no danger that the railroads will not get them. May the best man win. —Detroit Journal.

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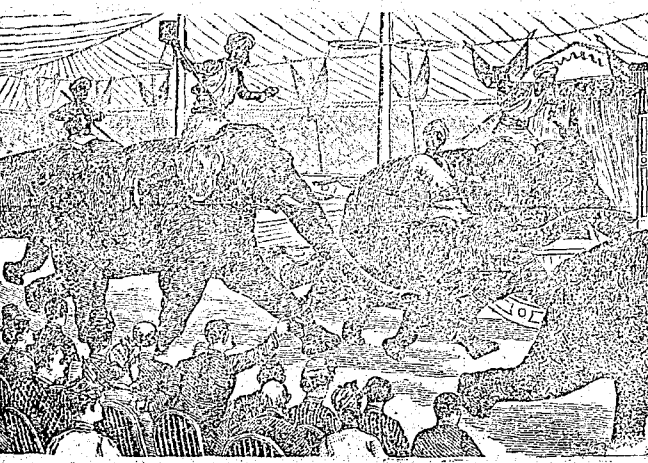
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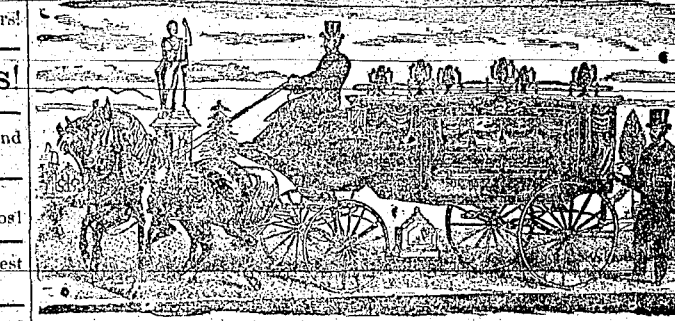
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